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Cabinet colleagues and at an appropriate time, I am going to substantiate the charges either on the floor of this House or before a Commission.

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Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Sir, only a few days ago, *i.e.*, during the last session, the hon. member Mr. Siddaveerappa made a charge against a particular Minister of the Cabinet; the hon. Member Sri K. H. Patil made a charge complaining about corrupt activities of the hon. Chief Minister. But I fail to understand what has been done so far in these matters. It was the duty of the Hon. Chief Minister to announce in this House that such and such a charge is incorrect or wrong, or whatever it is. Can we by any stretch of imagination have any faith in this Ministry ? All these things are on record. If you go through all these proceedi gs then you will know it. Sir, I feel when they read their own statements they may themselves not understand why they have said all these things. In one place they say something and in another place they say some other thing. I am sorry to say, this unfortunate Karnataka regime should have fallen into the hands of these people who have neither ears to hear, nor minds to understand, nor any intention to do anything good.

With these words, I conclude my speech.

Recommendation of the Business Advisory Committee to drop Sitting of the House on Saturday

Announcement.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Before I call upon next hon. member to speak, I have an announcement to make.

The Buiness Advisory Committee at its sitting today decided that there may be no sitting of the House tomorrow the 24th January, 1970. It also decided that the debate on the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address should conclude on Wednesday, tha 28th of January, 1970.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—May I know what has happened to the Private Member's business which was to have come up before this House tomorrow ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The matter was placed before the Business Advisory Committee. More than forty hon. Members submitted a signed requisition suggesting that there should be no sitting on Saturday which was placed before the Committee. The Committee decided that since the hon. members themselves were ready to forego a day's business on

Saturday in view of the ensuing Republic Day, there would be no sitting on Saturday. Only on the pressure of the hon. Members of this House this decision was taken. Under these circumstances private Members' day is lost.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—Sir, today morning this House accepted the report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and resolutions which considered the allotment of time for non-official business that has to come up before this House tomorrow. When once the House has accepted that report, is the Business Advisory Committee competent to revise the allotment of time and business already made by this House?

As per rule 28 in every week one day should be allotted for private Members' business and according to the programme furnished to the hon. members a week before the commencement of the session, it has been mentioned that 24th instant will be a non-official day. The hon. Speaker just now announced that to-morrow's day is lost. But as per rules if a day, meant for non-official business, is taken away by the Business Advisory Committee, it has to be compensated. Therefore, I submit that the Hon. Speaker may revise his decision which he might have taken by oversight and a separate day in lieu of tomorrow may be allotted for the non-official business and it is also justified according to rules.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—The Business Advisory Committee's report is only a recommendation and so far as that point is concerned, hon. Member Sri Nagappa is correct. It is for the House to accept or not to accept the recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee. The Report of the Committee on Private Member's Bills and Resolutions which was adopted by this House in the morning will be superseded if the House adopts the report of the Business Advisory Committee. The Hon. Speaker may kindly put the Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House and take the consensus of the House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I quite sympathise with the hon. Member Sri Nagappa and others. As for the question of compensating one day for non-official business in lieu of tomorrow I will place the matter before the Business Advisory Committee. Now as suggested by the Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, I shall put the report of the Business Advisory Committee to the vote of the House.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—So far the report of the committee has not been circulated to the Members.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Whatever be the rules, the House is sovereign. It is true that the report of the Business Advisory Committee is not before the House. But I am bringing the whole thing to the notice of hon. Members. There may not be strict compliance with the rules. But my statement can be taken as oral circulation. The Business Advisory Committee at its sitting today decided that there should be no sitting on the 24th January 1970 and that the debate on the Motion of thanks

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should conclude on 27th January 1970. I want to know the sense of of the House. The question is:

"That the Assembly agrees with the above report of the Business Advisory Committee"

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—I press for a division.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I wolud like to make an appeal to Mr. Nagappa not to insist on his demand. Let it not go on record that the House got divided on a matter like this. We were not quite willing to have a holiday tomorrow, but in deference to the wishes of the Members of the Opposition, we have agreed to it. Not less than 40 hon. Members gave representation that they have certain engagements which they cannoot miss. It was considered our duty to accommodate their wishes. I therefore personally appeal to Mr. Nagappa not to insist on division.

Sri. H. N. NANJE GOWDA.—It is the Hon. Speaker who has to safeguard the privileges of the House. It is well within his jurisdiction to compensate the loss of tomorrow by some other day. If the Hon. Speaker will kindly provide for Private Members' Day on some other day, there is no objection.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have not got the power to extend the sittings of the House. Technically I announce it, but it is the pleasure of the House that I announce. If they want to sit for one or two days more, I will be very happy.

Sri D. M. SIDDAIAH.—I want to submit most respectfully that the Business Advisory Committee consists of members of the House including the Opposition. Therefore, whatever decision that Committee takes is binding on all of us. As suggested by the Hon. Minister for Parlimentary Affairs, we need not have a division.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The hon. Member has asked for a division. I cannot refuse it. The result of the division is: Ayes—60Noes—5.

Ayes have it.

The motion was adopted.

Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address

(*Debate continued*)

(*Sri S. R. Shanmugam stood up*)

Sri V. N. PATIL.—The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker was pleased tc say that my name is there in the list.